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From: Commander, Navy Personnel Command To: Assistant for Navy Uniform Matters

Subj: PRESCRIBED UNIFORM FOR PERSONNEL IN CONFINEMENT WITHIN NAVAL FACILITIES

Ref: (a) Phoncon btw BMCM Robert Cruse (Navy Uniform Board) and Mr. H L Thomas (PERS 8411) of 21 Jul 00

- (b) NAVPERS 156651, United States Navy Uniform Regulations
- (c) SECNAVINST 1640.9B, Department of the Navy Corrections Manual
- 1. Per reference (a), request the following changes to reference (b). Justification follows:
- a. Reference (b), Article 6409.1.a. Change to read "All personnel in pre-trial detention are permitted to wear the working uniform of the day, with insignia of grade, minus collar devices."

Justification. Collar devices worn by prisoners present security problems within a confinement facility.

b. Reference (b), Article 6409.2.a. Change to read "Officer and Enlisted Personnel. If awarded confinement, officer (to include warrant officers, commissioned officers, cadets, midshipmen, and officer candidates) and enlisted personnel wear dungarees without grade insignia or collar devices. Post-trial personnel keep their service uniforms, and may wear a service uniform during official appearances."

Justification. Having post-trial prisoners in consistent uniforms enhances the administration of the overall corrections program, without bringing undue attention to officers and chief petty officers. Consistent uniforms supports co-mingling of all personnel, officer and enlisted, and symbolically removes the authority and privileges associated with the rank, as per Articles 5201.2 and 8213.2.a of reference (c).

c. Reference (b), Articles 6409.2.b and 6409.2.c. Remove each Article in its entirety.

Justification. Proposed revision, paragraph 1.b. above, accounts for post-trial uniforms for officer and enlisted personnel.

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